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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

#### TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is for an original application.

#### INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

#### TITLE OF INVENTION

# IMPROVED FLOW CYTOMETRY REAGENT AND SYSTEM

#### SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification is filed herewith.

# ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

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In re application of:

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IMPROVED FLOW CYTOMETRY REAGENT AND SYSTEM

STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)--SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby state that I am an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

Streck Laboratories, Inc. 7002 South 109th Street La Vista, NE 68128

I hereby state that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern, as defined in 13 CFR 121.12, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office under Sections 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control both.

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No such person, concern, or organization exists.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small business entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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